



## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Kouichiro NINOMIYA, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 2818

Confirmation No.: 6766

Examiner: Hoai V. HO

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE

## RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 8, 2004 in which the Examiner has required an election of species, Applicant responds by electing Species I, Figure 3. Claims 1-15 read on the elected species.

Prompt and favorable action on the elected claims are now respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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